

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraphs on page 12, lines 10-18 with the following paragraph, amended as shown:

--Fig. 2 shows the structure of CR2; ~~Fig. 2A~~ is a ribbon representation of the CR2 SCR1 (in red) and SCR2 (in yellow) structures, showing the SCR fold and the packing of the two domains to form a V shape;:-

——~~Fig. 2B~~ is a representation of the structure and packing interaction at the interface of CR2 SCR1 and SCR2 domains;:-

——~~Fig. 2C~~ is a surface representation of the two-domain arrangement of CR2;:-

——~~Fig. 2D~~ is a representation of the dimerization of CR2 through interactions between SCR1 of each molecule; and:-

——~~Fig. 2E~~ is a sequence alignment between human CR2 (hCR2) SCR1-2 domains (SEQ ID NO:4) and mouse CR2 (mCR2) SCR1-2 domains (SEQ ID NO:6).--

Please replace the paragraphs on page 12, lines 19-25 with the following paragraph, amended as shown:

--Fig. 3 shows the structure at the CR2-C3d interface; ~~Figs. 3A and 3B~~ are representations of the surface features of the interface area on C3d (in cyan) and CR2 molecule (in yellow);:-

——~~Fig. 3C~~ shows the structure of the CR2 SCR2-C3d complex;:-

——~~Figs. 3D and 3E~~ show the detailed interactions between CR2 (in yellow) and C3d (in cyan) in two angles; and:-

——~~Fig. 3F~~ shows the human C3d sequence (SEQ ID NO:7) with secondary structure assigned on top of the corresponding sequences.--